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An already controversial worker on Ronald Reagan's transition staff, David S. Sullivan, may raise more eyebrows with some crystal ball-gazing he has done for "The Book of Predictions," the latest project of the David Wallace family that has turned out "The People's Almanac" and "The Book of Lists."

Mr. Sullivan, it may be recalled, is a former Central Intelligence Agency analyst who was once forced to resign for violating the agency's security rules. Lately he has been reviewing highly classified documents for a Reagan transition team, stirring sharp controversy in what Washington calls "the intelligence community."

Moonlighting for "The Book of Predictions," published yesterday in New York by William Morrow, Mr. Sullivan writes that "by 1983, fully within the terms of the proposed SALT II Treaty, the Soviet Union will have achieved clear-cut, unmistakable strategic nuclear superiority over the United States."

In the book's section on "Tomorrow's Wars and Other Disasters," Mr. Sullivan predicts that by 1993 "the U.S. will have ceased to be a great power and will be struggling to hold itself together as a viable nation."

"The Soviet Union will be approaching hegemony over most of the world," he adds.